

BULLETIN NEW LETTERS FROM TOWNS IN TWO STATES

The Business and Social Life of Every Town and Settlement Reflected in These Columns.

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

NIANTIC.

Surprise Party for Miss Emma A. Beebe—Valentine Social at Hotel—Auditor Spicer in Town.

A surprise party was held Saturday evening at the home of Postmaster and Mrs. A. B. S. Bush on Champlin Hill for Miss Emma A. Beebe. The party arrived at 8 p.m. about twenty friends and neighbors taking possession of the home. The evening's entertainment included various games, after which a dainty collation was served. The party included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Munger, Dr. Clarence G. Brooks, Miss Edith Rogers, Miss Grace Clark, Miss Molly Brooks, Miss Edwards, Miss Lucy Ripplow, Miss Frances Luce, C. N. Loomis and George Miller.

About the Village.

Several cars at the freight yard here are being filled with railroad ties which will be distributed at various points along the New Haven road.

Due to the heavy rainfall of Tuesday the road work in the Indian woods was abandoned.

A letter remaining uncollected for at the Niantic postoffice is addressed to F. M. Roche.

The town assessors met with E. C. Russell at his office in Washington avenue Tuesday.

Samuel Rogers, Jr., returned Monday afternoon to his business in New York. Edward G. Phelan is expected to be home on Penn avenue with an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Grace Kirk, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Kirk, at Riverdale, left Tuesday for her duties in South Manchester.

Mrs. Charles Griswold of Black Hall was calling on friends in the village Tuesday.

Stephen Rowley has returned from a lengthy visit to Williamette.

Representative W. J. Gault was a Hartford visitor Tuesday.

There was one session of school in all of the departments of the Niantic school Tuesday. The weather was rainy which prevailed nearly all day.

Mrs. E. E. Darrow of New London was calling on Mrs. Marion C. Russell in Main street Tuesday. Mrs. Darrow is a summer resident of Pine Grove.

Richard O. Libby, president of the Libby Valve and Packing company, who is spending the winter in Niantic, was calling on Mrs. Libby, who is at his office in the village Monday.

Clinton Turner, an employee on the New Haven road, spent Monday with Mr. Turner on the Black Point road.

Valentine Social.

About twenty persons attended the Valentine social held at the Niantic house Monday evening. All had an enjoyable time.

William E. Spicer of Hartford, assistant auditor of the New Haven road, was at the roadhouse with Station agent Charles Leonard.

Mrs. J. C. Soden will leave soon for Hartford, where she will and expect to reside for some time.

George E. Griswold has been connected to his apartments with an attack of grip.

Mrs. Fannie Whiting has returned from a visit with friends in Lyme.

GOSHEN.

Name Deed—Ice Storm Damages Telephone Wires and Trees—Handsome Gift from Norwich to A. R.

A large flock of big fat robins was seen on a recent morning.

A local man while busily engaged chopping wood was greatly surprised upon looking up to see two robins perched upon a tree limb just over his head where he was working. Without even winking, the woodchopper, and deer gazed at each other for fully two minutes and the man, who had not a rifle, but a camera, believing in the sentiment of the German when he said he did not like venison but he was a deer hunter, he took a picture of the pair as they looked at each other.

The big ice storm of this week was the worst ever known in this section. The trees were laden with ice of enormous weight and the constant snapping and creaking of limbs and trees at one time in the morning made a racket like a thousand anvils.

Wednesday morning the roads in many places were rendered impassable by the fallen limbs. Great damage was done, especially to fruit and shade trees and wires of the Southern New England telephone line through this place were broken in quite a number of places.

To the Tenth school district the gift from the Grand Army of the Republic of Norwich through Charles F. Grier, who is a member of the handsome portrait of Abraham Lincoln on the 10th anniversary was a most welcome present.

S. K. Fargo with his team is working for D. W. Avery of Norwich.

HAMBURG.

Mrs. M. C. Bill entertained at Whist—Personal Notes of the Week.

H. L. Reynolds was a caller in New London on Wednesday.

Mrs. M. C. Bill gave a whist party Saturday evening in honor of her sister, Miss Ethel Morrill. Miss Katherine Manning and J. Hand carried off the honors.

Mrs. W. Anderson is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Nellie Cooke, of Hartford.

Mrs. M. E. Huntley is under the doctor's care this week.

Mrs. James Lord and son Reginald were recent visitors in Hartford.

Mrs. Carrie Mack of East Haddam has been a guest at the home of Mrs. J. Ely Harding.

PENDLETON HILL.

Unanimous Call Extended to Rev. J. H. Adams of Waterbury—Accepts and Will Begin in March—Ice Storm Works Havoc.

At a meeting of the school and society held on Sunday a unanimous call was extended to J. Howard Adams of Waterbury to become their pastor. Mr. Adams has accepted the call and will begin his work the first Sunday in March.

Miss Sarah T. Palmer and Miss Maria Hyde passed Sunday at their homes here.

The ice storm which began on Monday and lasted for two days was the

LEBANON.

Martyr President Honored by Church and School—Congregational Church Calls Rev. E. B. Smith—Severely of Storm.

On Friday evening of last week Lincoln services were held in the Congregational church, under the leadership of Mrs. Katherine Sweet. There was instrumental music, singing of patriotic songs and readings by children and adults descriptive of the life and services of Abraham Lincoln. One of the personal recollections of President Lincoln. The room was decorated with flags and other trimmings. Refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed.

Rev. J. B. Braun, a senior student in the Hartford Theological Seminary, whose home is in Indiana, preached morning and evening in the First Congregational church last Sunday.

Last Sunday evening at a meeting of the First Congregational church it was voted to call Eugene B. Smith to become pastor of that church. Mr. Smith is expected to preach here again tomorrow.

Damage to Fine Trees.

The great ice storm in this vicinity, which began last Sunday night, has done much damage to fruit and shade trees, as well as to telephone service.

On Monday and Tuesday the storm continued and the trees bent under the heavy burden; and during Tuesday night the sound of breaking branches and the roar of crashing trees of ice were like the noise of battle.

The ground was literally strewn with the dead and dying limbs of the once stately and beautiful trees. The glory of Lebanon had departed.

School Observes Lincoln Centenary.

The public school in district No. 7, Miss Elizabeth A. Lewis teacher, had interesting Lincoln centennial exercises of consisting of singing, recitations and an original essay on the life of Lincoln.

Mrs. Charles E. Parson of Ottawa, Canada, is visiting Mr. S. W. Throp and other friends in this vicinity.

GLASGO.

Norwich Preacher at Local Church.

Rev. Mr. Anthony preached at the Bethel church last Sunday.

Frank Burton called on his father, Henry Burton of Griswold, recently.

Albert Burton sold his turkeys to Norwich Bros. in New York last week. Bert Woodmansee is working for Albert Dawley.

The auction at Isaac Dawley's was largely attended. Mr. N. Y. bought a fine horse for \$400. Everything was sold that was put up.

Mrs. Barber Lewis is threatened with pneumonia.

PARISH FAIR.

Big Crowd in Attendance on Saturday Evening.

Last Saturday evening attracted the largest crowd to the parish fair. Good music has been furnished every night by the parish orchestra, James Whitaker, pianist, William and Harry Jarvis, violins. Hearty applause was given Arthur A. Gaudette, Frank Labadie, and Fred Chapin.

William Edson for the beautiful selections they sang. Miss Edson being the pianist. William Wilson's original comic song was one of the features of the evening. James Whitaker's piano playing and that of Mrs. Henry Edson as accompanist was excellent, and they were in the honors accorded the quartette.

SOUTH LYME.

Woman Conducts Church Services—Meeting of the King's Daughters.

Miss Lydia Hartig held services at the Union chapel Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Comstock and daughter, Edna, of New York, called on their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Payne.

Miss Mildred Champion of Essex visited Miss Elizabeth Slatt last week.

The Rev. E. M. Chapman will preach at the Union chapel Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Hattie Roath has returned to Ivoryton, after a visit with her parents in this place.

New London visited friends in this place last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Miller of New Haven were visitors here on Tuesday.

The Rev. Franklin Moore held services at the Cedar Grove chapel Sunday afternoon.

Alfred Stanton of Ivoryton visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stanton, over Sunday.

The King's Daughters held a meeting Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. E. P. Stanhope's.

WATERFORD.

Big Stone Contract—Matters of Personal Mention.

W. L. Driscoll of Granville was a business caller in Norwich Monday.

Mrs. Rebecca Cann of Coleman street has returned from a visit at Mrs. H. W. Manning's.

Miss Maudie McGovern of Jordan has returned from a visit at Miss Lora Wilson's in New London.

James Perkins of Millstone has a stone contract at Foxcroft, Boy, Hill that will give him business for a while.

Mrs. David Gray of West Neck has returned from a visit at her sister's, Mrs. Sophia Crandall's, Niantic.

F. J. Shelley of Truman street was a caller in Logger Hill district Wednesday.

Mrs. Daniel Boyle of Granville was in the city Wednesday.

George B. Beebe of Groton spent Sunday in Waterbury, the guest of his sister, Mrs. Mary A. Littlefield.

John H. Newbury of New Haven turnpike is building quite a large building at the former David Miller place.

George B. Prest of New London spent Sunday at his father-in-law's, Allen Tiffany's.

HANOVER.

Though diminished by storm, a good audience greatly enjoyed the illustrated lecture on Tuesday evening by Dr. W. J. Peck of Corona, N. Y., on Egypt and Egyptians. Dr. Peck wore the garments of the natives. Rev. Mr. Tenney of Scotland assisted with high lantern. The lecture was preceded by a cornet solo by William Harrison, accompanied by Miss Bennett.

Mrs. Ellen Whitehead's funeral. The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Whitehead was held on Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Rev. C. H. Peck officiated. The hymns, Rock of Ages and Abide With Me, were sung by the choir.

Alfred Croft has been ill with rheumatism during the week.

UNCASVILLE.

Robert Dadds Wins Prize in Word Contest—Exciting Indoor Marathon—Daniels Case Continued—Valentine Party.

In the word contest carried on among the pupils of the Tenth district (Uncasville), to see how many words could be formed from the name Abraham Lincoln, the first prize went to Robert Dadds, whose list contained 674 words. Earl Smith was second with 648 words, Frank Mitchell, 625, Fanny Mitchell, 620, Hazel Beebe, 614, John J. Dadds, Jr., 590; David Killen, 580. The first prize, third being similar. The others received a choice of Lincoln pictures.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Montville Center Congregational church held a social at the residence of David A. Johnson, Friday evening. There was a large attendance. Supper was served.

Mrs. Charles Hartley of Boston has been spending a few days with friends in Oakdale.

American council, O. U. A. M., voted at its last meeting to hold a social and dance next month.

Orrin Gay of Oakdale entertained this past week Herman Lasowitch of New York.

New Club.

A club formed of 15 young men has recently been organized in this place and will sit in rooms in building opposite Dr. E. Cornet's house.

Mrs. Agnes Burnham, teacher of the third and fourth grades in Palmer Memorial school, who has been spending a few days with her family at Shelburne Falls, Mass., returned Monday morning. During her absence her room was looked after by Miss Alice Killen.

Case Continued.

In the case of Henry Daniels, who was brought before Henry A. Bolles, justice of the peace, Friday on charge of obtaining goods under false pretences from G. W. Dart, Daniels claimed he had never refused to pay the bill. The case was continued one month.

Mrs. Sophronia Minor is confined to her home by illness. Mrs. Minor recently celebrated her 86th birthday.

Carl Browning is ill with the grip. William Grinnell, night watchman for the Palmer Bros' mill, has returned to duty after two weeks' absence, caused by the injuries received by a fall.

About forty young people from this town were in attendance at the roller skating at Richards' grove Saturday night.

Cochran camp, Modern Woodmen of America, held a social time in Hickory street last night. The purpose of the initiation of candidates and other business a supper was served, and an interesting programme of vocal and instrumental music was given, closing with dancing at which the families of the members were present.

Indoor Marathon.

The new degree team of Thames lodge, I. O. O. F., held a rehearsal on Monday night at the home of Mrs. V. E. Jones.

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Boston Preacher Heard.

The Union Baptist church pulpit was occupied Sunday morning by Rev. Whittemore of the theological school, Boston. The reason Mr. Whittemore failed to be present last week was owing to not receiving the letter which the church sent him.

Valentine Party.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Fitch Rogers gave a Valentine party Saturday night at their home at Jerome farm. A number of young people from this place were present. The evening was spent with games. Refreshments were served.

LEONARD BRIDGE.

Fruit and Shade Trees Ruined by Ice Storm—Personal Items.

The storm of Sunday night, Monday and Tuesday, coating everything with ice, has done great damage, many beautiful shade trees, especially the fruit orchards laid low. The telephones wires are broken, crippling the service, and necessitating many miles of new wire. The spectacle of the sun shone Wednesday was beautiful, calling out many calls to the great ice storm in years.

Dan Tucker has a peach orchard which was cut to the ground by the storm.

John Kneeland was in Waterford Thursday, attending a grange meeting.

Salmon Clark has returned from a few days' visit with his son in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Maurice Vallinsky is visiting relatives in New York.

PRESTON.

Personal Happenings of the Week—Address by Chinese Missionary.

The G. R. Club met Saturday with Miss Anna Bagley.

The ladies sewing society met in the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. E. E. Pratt held a half February 12 was well attended.

Mrs. McAvoy of Norwich was at her home in this place Thursday.

Rev. E. E. Pratt held a prayer meeting in the Haskell school house Thursday evening which was well attended.

Salmon Clark from Preston City grange attended the Pomona in Waterford (Konomac grange) and enjoyed a very fine meeting.

A religious meeting was held in the Congregational church last Sunday by Rev. Edward H. Smith of Norwich Town, a missionary from China.

LISBON.

A Valentine social was held at the home of Miss Augusta Learned Saturday evening. Many attended and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Leon Walden of Williamette has been visiting here.

There was a masquerade ball held at the shooting club Saturday evening. Twenty-two couples were masked. Krauss' orchestra furnished the music.

GRISWOLD.

The funeral of George Kenyon was held from his home in Franklin on Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock.

Rev. H. A. Beadle officiated. The bearers were Samuel N. Hyde, Nathaniel Manning, Herbert Manning and George Hoxie. Burial was in the Plains cemetery (Franklin). Mr. Kenyon was born in 1855 and had always resided in this town, being a farmer. He was married thirty years ago to Miss Augusta Recorde. She died seven

ALDERMAN VETS DOING HIS DUTY--- NO ONE COULD DO MORE

Ex-Mayor Tinker of New London Passes His 75th Year—Rev. Judson Arnold to Succeed Rev. Alfred Poole Grint as Rector of St. James—The Rev. C. Perley Tinker to be Ordained as an Episcopal Clergyman—New London's Political Big Four—Joseph Starr Looking After His Inventions.

John Sherman, of national fame and honored memory, and Ex-Mayor Geo. P. Tinker of local fame and universal respect, did not object to being stated "Watch Dogs of the Treasury" in their official public work; and, so far as known, alderman Carl Viets does not object to the title as chairman of the finance committee of the court of common council, for the gentleman from northwest has had that reference made to him in this correspondence, and no protest came from him.

He did object, however, to something that appeared in the New London department of The Bulletin a week ago and swung out straight from the shoulder a double headed contradiction, which appeared in the two evening newspapers.

This correspondence in referring to Alderman Viets' motion to abscond to the office of clerk to the board of assessors made several statements regarding the action, but Mr. Viets selected three for his special notice.

That he would accept the office of clerk of the board of assessors for \$500 a year.

That Mr. Viets says, is false, and he ought to know. But as a matter of fact, some time ago, when he made his periodical attack on the office, he said that his competitor to do the work would be paid \$500 a year, and there is no reduced salary, and he left the impression with some of his hearers that he himself would take the position at the price. Mr. Viets says now that the inference is false and, as an honorable gentleman he is entitled to have his word in that particular.

He takes exception to the statement that he drew the full salary as a member of the board of assessors when he was incapacitated by sickness. This he denies in part, stating that he did some of the work and gave another member of the board \$25 to make good the work he did not do. This is all right, but as far as it goes, and there is no in making that correction right here and now.

Mr. Viets also took exception to the fact that the board of assessors, of which he was a member, on another occasion, made an error of many thousands of dollars in footings, the error being disclosed when the town clerk was making up the tax book.

It was stated in last week's correspondence that this was a clerical error and made no difference to the town, the finances, and Mr. Viets says the same thing in his criticism. So there was no reason for dragging in this item in his attack on the board of assessors, especially as other statements were left uncontradicted.

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FRANKLIN.

Annoyance, Delay and Loss Result from Storm—Funeral of George Kenyon.

Albert Fryer and son Kenneth of Williamette were Franklin visitors one day recently.

Miss Grace Valette of Williamette was here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd P. Ayer and son Eugene were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Adair Manning of Yantic on Sunday.

Miss Lydia Johnson is spending a week in Providence, the guest of relatives.

Mrs. Charles Parson of Ottawa, Canada, was the guest of Mrs. Louis H. Smith the early part of this week.

Miss Ethel Manning of Norwich Town spent one day this week with Mrs. C. H. Robinson at Mountain View farm.

Mrs. Louis H. Smith entertained early in the week Mr. and Mrs. L. Robinson of Franklin and Miss Annie Park of Yantic in honor of Mrs. Parson's Canada, a guest of Mrs. Smith.

Rev. H. A. Beadle was in New London on Monday, attending the foreign missionary meeting.

Frank Greenleaf is able to get about his usual duties.

The first of a series of neighborhood prayer meetings was held at the residence of Ralph W. Maine, Sunday evening.

The ice storm of this week, "oiled" disastrous to the Franklin Independent telephone lines. In several places the poles were broken over by ice-laden trees falling across the wires. Where the local line crosses the lines of the Southern New England company the wires had come into contact with the poles.

The Southern New England telephone company and the Postal Telegraph company also suffered considerable damage from broken wires.

Ashe W. Armstrong, formerly a resident of this town, has returned to his home in Central Falls, R. I., after spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Frank D. Day.

Mrs. Mabel Martin and her daughter, Miss Belle Martin of Williamette, were guests of Mrs. Emile Date one day recently.

Edward W. Bates was a Williamette visitor on Friday.

Many houses in this town were decorated with flags on Lincoln's anniversary.

Louis Ortman of Norwich was the guest of local friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Sarah N. Hyde were guests of Williamette friends Sunday.

Many trees were badly damaged by the storm. The highways were impassable in many places owing to the limbs of trees falling. Fruit trees were broken down badly.

FUNERAL.

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tive if they are given prominence in the public press, as that's the fate of all public men. It is not the men, but the public action, that is generally criticised. However, there has been more favorable comment than adverse criticism on the very article that Mr. Viets condemns in part.

Ex-Mayor George F. Tinker of New London reached his seventy-fifth year Sunday, having been born twenty-five years and ten days later than the illustrious Lincoln. It is said by those who ought to know that Mr. Tinker was of striking likeness to Mr. Lincoln and that both had the same peculiar work. Mr. Tinker also possesses many of the characteristics of the great among men and a lover of the common people.

Hats off to Mr. Tinker as he passes his seventy-fifth milestone. His life is a study for the rising generation and one worthy of emulation. Easily in front rank as one of the best citizens of New London.